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TOKYO, JULY 18 (REUTERS)--THE JAPANESE COUNCIL OF THE INTERNATIONAL METAL WORKERS FEDERATION TODAY DENIED A REPORT BY THE RUSSIAN PARTY NEWSPAPER PRAVDA 'S TOKYO CORRESPONDENT THAT A FORMER C.I.A. AGENT TOOK A DIRECT PART IN FORMATION OF THE COUNCIL.

THE RUSSIAN NEWS AGENCY TASS QUOTED REPORTER VSEVOLOD OVCHINNIKOV AS SAYING "UNITED STATES EMBASSY ATTACHE (IN TOKYO) POLLAK" WAS FORMERLY THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY COUNSELLOR ON LABOR QUESTIONS.

A COUNCIL SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY "NEITHER MR. POLLAK NOR THE C.I.A. HAD ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE COUNCIL 'S FORMATION."

THE SPOKESMAN SAID THE COUNCIL, FORMED IN 1957, CLAIMED A MEMBERSHIP OF ABOUT ONE MILLION, INCLUDING ALL TYPES OF METAL WORKERS.

AN AMERICAN EMBASSY OFFICIAL SAID A HARRY POLLACK, WHOSE LAST NAME IS SPELLED WITH A C, WAS LABOR ADVISER AT THE EMBASSY BETWEEN 1963 AND 1965. HE ADDED THE EMBASSY HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF THE ALLEGATION THAT POLLACK WAS FORMERLY A C.I.A. LABOR COUNSELLOR.

POLLACK IS NOW IN BRUSSELS, BELGIUM, IN CHARGE OF LABOR AFFAIRS, THE OFFICIAL SAID.

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